

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0030] with the following amended paragraph:

[0030] The dual conical tube 14 is welded at the seam **14' via a suitable welding device 15** along the length of the tube through a well known joining method (e.g. Gas Metal Arc Welding, Tungsten Inert Gas, Laser Welding, electron beam welding, hybrid (laser-GMAW or laser-plasma) welding, friction stir welding or seam mesh welding).